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The IDS filed 2/28/05 has been fully considered by the examiner.

U.S. Patent 4,138,526 teaches a method of treating anodized aluminum using sodium hydroxide to achieve a surface having "excellent adhesion" and sealing the treated surface. U.S. Patent 3,622,472 to Izumikawa teaches coloring and sealing anodized aluminum. JP 62-151578 teaches preventing a fluid from contacting a second surface of a web by applying a fluid against the second surface.

It is noted that the references contained therein further support the appealed rejections as recited above, but essentially teach the same features and methods as the prior art references relied upon in the appealed rejections. Therefore, prosecution has not been reopened by the examiner. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

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